

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Docket No.  
1560-0401P

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| Application No.          | Filing Date      | Examiner      | Art Unit |
| 10/694,884-Conf. #004111 | October 29, 2003 | R. D. McCloud | 2837     |

Applicant(s): Koji KANDA

Invention: VEHICLE STEERING APPARATUS

**MS Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED  |                                  |                                |                             |      |        |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|--------|
|  | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid | Number Extra Claims Present | Rate |        |
| Total Claims   | 21                               | - 21 =                         | 0                           | x    |        |
| Independent Claims   | 3                                | - 3 =                          | 0                           | x    |        |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> |                                  |                                |                             |      |        |
| Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within first month    |                                  |                                |                             |      | 120.00 |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>                          |                                  |                                |                             |      | 120.00 |

Large Entity

Small Entity

No additional fee is required for this amendment.

Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ 120.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 02-2448 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Credit any overpayment.

Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.

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Dated: November 14, 2005



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Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

# FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

|                         |      |        |  |
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| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | (\$) | 120.00 |  |
|-------------------------|------|--------|--|

| <b>Complete if Known</b> |                          |
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| Filing Date              | October 29, 2003         |
| First Named Inventor     | Koji KANDA               |
| Examiner Name            | R. D. McCloud            |
| Art Unit                 | 2837                     |
| Attorney Docket No.      | 1560-0401P               |

**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)

Check    Credit Card    Money Order    None    Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deposit Account   Deposit Account Number: 02-2448   Deposit Account Name: Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below    Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee  
 Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17    Credit any overpayments

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| <u>Application Type</u> | <u>FILING FEES</u> |                              | <u>SEARCH FEES</u> |                              | <u>EXAMINATION FEES</u> |                              | <u>Fees Paid (\$)</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                         | <u>Fee (\$)</u>    | <u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u>    | <u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u>         | <u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u> |                       |
| Utility                 | 300                | 150                          | 500                | 250                          | 200                     | 100                          |                       |
| Design                  | 200                | 100                          | 100                | 50                           | 130                     | 65                           |                       |
| Plant                   | 200                | 100                          | 300                | 150                          | 160                     | 80                           |                       |
| Reissue                 | 300                | 150                          | 500                | 250                          | 600                     | 300                          |                       |
| Provisional             | 200                | 100                          | 0                  | 0                            | 0                       | 0                            |                       |

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

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|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

50      25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200      100

Multiple dependent claims

360      180

| <u>Total Claims</u> | <u>Extra Claims</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> | <u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u> |                      |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
|                     |                     |                 |                      | <u>Fee (\$)</u>                  | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> |
| 21                  | - 21 = 0            | x _____         | = _____              |                                  |                      |
| Indep. Claims       | Extra Claims        | Fee (\$)        | Fee Paid (\$)        |                                  |                      |
| 3                   | - 3 = 0             | x _____         | = _____              |                                  |                      |

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(c)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

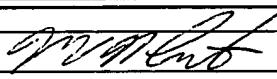
| <u>Total Sheets</u> | <u>Extra Sheets</u> | <u>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| _____               | - 100 = _____       | /50 _____ (round up to a whole number) x _____          | = _____         |                      |

**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1251 Extension for response within first month

120.00

| <u>SUBMITTED BY</u> |   |
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| Signature           |  #39,491 Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 29,680 Telephone (703) 205-8000 |
| Name (Print/Type)   | Michael K. Mutter Date November 14, 2005  |